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The deepest sin against the human mind is to believe things without evidence.—Thomas Huxley.

Sabotage in Army

MANY newspapers, afraid of offending their Nazi Bundist or Coughlinite Christian Front readers, suppressed or played down a statement by Gen Marshall, chief of staff, US Army, that these elements had engaged in sabotage in the army camps.

Of the 241 protests against lengthening of service Gen Marshall said "most of them bore marks of evidence of collusion, duplication of phraseology, German signatures, and expressions of Bundist or Christian Front attitudes. It was quite evident that a large number came from a little group in Brooklyn." Soldiers who had written protests, Gen Marshall said, "had been led into this sort of thing. I regard this sort of activity as sabotage." Marshall expressed "deep concern" over his "responsibility for maintaining morale with all this racket going on in the army." Letters were postmarked: 53, NY; 20 Chicago, 10 Pittsburgh, 9 San Francisco. Some contained insults and threats against Marshall and the President.

IN FACT is receiving still more evidence of strikebreaking training against labor (instead of anti-Hitler training) in the camps.

Strikes and \$\$\$

IN its simplest terms the labor situation is this: the price of living has gone up tremendously. Labor asks for higher wages but strikes only in desperation. The front pages of the newspapers accuse labor of sabotaging defense. The financial pages of the same newspapers show tremendous profits despite taxes. Congress passes a tax bill soaking the poor, making bigger profits possible (to be reported on financial pages). Labor, faced with a wage cut due to taxes and cost of living mounting above wage increases, eventually is forced to ask for higher wages again, or go on strike. The press again attacks labor on Page 1, announces higher profits for employers on financial pages. (And anyone who proposes changing this system is denounced in the same venal and corrupt press).

Venal? Corrupt? Unfair?

ADEPT polishers of the brass checks of journalistic prostitution are many of the famous book reviewers of the big city newspapers. You, dear reader, never know the book reviews they've suppressed, the books they've smeared to

Politicians, Christian Fronters, Vice and Corruption Unite in New York Election Test to Form Fascist Party

(Editorial note: Most newspapers are pledged to political factions and while they may expose the enemy they will never tell the whole truth. Religion also is becoming more and more an element in American politics and every newspaper avoids this subject. I believe the following facts are true; if there is any error, it will be corrected. I believe this subject should be discussed, not remain suppressed, and I hope the facts will lead to good will rather than increased religious hatred. Religious hatred, and political corruption, are part of fascism, and everyone who believes in democracy should fight fascism, which is the ultimate form and the sum total of corruption, rather than use the facts here presented to increase dissension and hate.)

THE United States ever since World War I has escaped a clearcut battle between Democracy and Fascism. This world struggle was predicted by the father of Fascism, Mussolini, in his Palazzo Venezia speech, Oct 27 1930. In his "cannon are more beautiful than words" oration he also said: "The idea, doctrine and spirit of Fascismo are universal"; "Fascism is an army on the march"; "The struggle between the two worlds, Democracy and Fascism, can permit no compromises. The new cycle . . . places the alternative . . . Either We or They; either their ideas or ours; either our State or theirs!"

There have been several attempts to form a Fascist party in America. General Smedley Butler informed a Congressional Committee of the attempt by Grayson M-P Murphy and other Wall St brokers to interest him in a march of the American Legion to seize Washington and suppress President Roosevelt. Coughlin backed Lemke and his Union Party in 1936.

Today the forces of Fascism, and also non-Fascist forces which have special interests or grudges, are gathering into a Fascist movement if not a Fascist party. Leading men in politics believe the coming New York City election will be the test of strength of a Fascist party or movement.

Who Is Behind the O'Dwyer vs LaGuardia Battle?

Fascism depends on a mass following, just as democracy does. Mussolini, renegade socialist, wrote the Fascist platform straight out of the Marxist Manifesto perverting it (exact language, "Sawdust Caesar," p 134); Hitler called his movement "national socialist" and promised to give the wealth of the rich to the poor, but did nothing about it later; Coughlin (who has been shown up as a falsifier and spreader of forgeries by Monsignor Ryan of his own church) got his radio following by attacking the moneychangers in the temple, Wall St, bankers and the tyranny of gold (while speculating and making a profit in silver.). He used every liberal-socialist argument to win a mass following in exactly the same way Mussolini, Hitler and other Fascists did before they got into power.

It so happens that William O'Dwyer, who is opposing LaGuardia for mayor of NYC is just about as liberal a man as LaGuardia. Nevertheless, lining up in America's metropolis for the test of Democracy vs Fascism are all the powers of Fascism on O'Dwyer's side, whereas LaGuardia through his arrogance, his failure to develop his friendship with labor, his stubbornness in dealing with the transport workers, has not united all the forces of Democracy on his side.

On the O'Dwyer side we have:

1. Tammany. Many Tammany leaders are in prison. The political machine had broken down, but today it sees a chance for a comeback through uniting all fascist forces, including the vice ring, the grafters, the gambling syndicate.

2. National factions. The German Bundists, the Hitlerites, are all on the Tammany-O'Dwyer side. The poor deluded Italian-Americans who have been fooled by Generoso Pope's newspapers into favoring Mussolini are all for O'Dwyer now because O'Dwyer has taken no stand in a war against fascism. The anti-British Irish are for O'Dwyer. They have always been Tammany.

3. Fascists. All native fascists are for O'Dwyer. All anti-Semites are for O'Dwyer, not that O'Dwyer has done anything to encourage them but because LaGuardia has always been the target of fascists and anti-Semites and because LaGuardia early attracted the ire of Goebbels, being partly Jewish (he is an Episcopalian) and being branded No. 1 Anti-Nazi for his Chamber of Horrors of Nazism, years ago. O'Dwyer not only has refrained from denouncing his fascist anti-Semite support but in a statement published only in the Brooklyn Eagle indicated his sympathy for the Coughlin-Smith Jr-Social Justice-Brooklyn Tablet line.

4. Hearst press. In the past any endorsement by the Hearst press has been enough to kill a candidate. Hearst paid Mussolini, Goebbels, and other fascists to write for his newspapers and magazines; his papers have praised Mussolini, Hitler, fascism and Nazism for years. Hearst was first to endorse O'Dwyer. O'Dwyer dare not repudiate Hearst, even though he hates him. This is politics.

5. Christian Front, Coughlin, Christian Mobilizers, hoodlums, Social Justice, Brooklyn Tablet. This brings the "Catholic issue" into the campaign. Of the Catholic press the majority is reactionary, the leading liberals being Chicago's New World, the national literary weekly The Commonwealth, The Catholic Worker, the Chicago Catholic Worker, two or three others. Hundreds of church papers are reactionary, most of them supported Hitler and Mussolini in Spain. The Brooklyn Tablet prints almost as much anti-Semitic propaganda as Social Justice but it has not stooped to printing forgeries. It did, however, reprint almost word for word, a Nazi attack on Roosevelt as a Freemason. All these elements, from "respectable"

publications to hoodlums who while selling Social Justice have stabbed several Jews, are on the O'Dwyer bandwagon.

6. America First (see below).

America First or America Fascist?

The NYC election will be used as a barometer of Fascism in America. If the O'Dwyer side, uniting fascist elements, wins, it will give the signal for the formation of a real Fascist third party. June 21 *The Hour*, anti-fascist newsletter, wrote it was "reliably informed that the key US fascists are working toward the formation of a third party . . . the new party is to advance a program of 'peace and prosperity'. The movement will be strongly anti-alien and, less obviously, anti-labor. It will have nationalistic slogans like 'America for Americans'. At first it will not be openly anti-Semitic; but Jew-baiting will be unofficially encouraged among members and will be an important part of its program. Ultimately, according to one of the potential leaders in the movement, this party will rally the American people to its ranks by showing that the Jews got us into this war and brought economic chaos to our country'. No name has been selected . . . although America First Party is said to be under consideration.

"Ex-Col Lindbergh, Sen Wheeler and Father Chas Coughlin are scheduled to play an important role in the fascist third party . . . Lindbergh providing the leadership and Coughlin a large portion of the mass base."

Aug 9 *The Hour* reported that Sen Wheeler in his speech Aug 1 publicly announced that a new political party was under consideration. Wheeler said that "the American voter cannot find a clearcut issue" on which the two present parties differ, and that "a new party will arise that will sweep the country."

The base for the party would be that part of America First which is pro-Hitler and pro-Mussolini. This organization, IN FACT has pointed out, has native fascisti within it, as has the Council for Democracy, which is on the opposite side.

The split in America First's ranks was shown at its NYC mass meeting. Chairman John T Flynn, liberal, ex-New Republic writer, denounced the Christian Fronters present, notably the lunatic fringe American Destiny Party of Joe McWilliams, Christian Mobilizer. Flynn has been at war with Father Curran, who is spiritual leader of Brooklyn fascism, and a big shot America Firster.

America First claims a fantastic following of 12,000,000. Recently Mrs Wheeler and General Wood, two of its leaders, wrote nice letters to Father Coughlin, father of the Christian Front, whose hoodlums were arrested by the FBI but not convicted of plotting to "overthrow the gov't," although the testimony was clear they practiced shooting at the photograph of the president of their country.

America First, like Willkie in 1940, and O'Dwyer today, faces the issue of a clearcut specific repudiation of fascism, anti-Semitism and Coughlinism, or acceptance. If it accepts, it will automatically become the base of the Fascist party of America.

It will also prove Huey Long's prediction that "Sure we'll have Fascism in this country; but it'll come on an anti-Fascist platform." No one in the native fascist movement except Coughlin has ever admitted being a fascist.

LaGuardia's Backers

LaGuardia, faced with a coalition of reactionaries supported by the Tammany machine which, far from being abolished, was still strong enough in the last election to win control of the Council, finds his own coalition of labor, liberals and progressives disrupted by his anti-labor actions of the past two years. His margin of victory in 1937 was provided by the American Labor Party, and he had alienated the ALP in Manhattan by his outspoken attacks on its leaders. When Philip Murray, president of the CIO, accused him of "an extreme anti-CIO attitude" Murray was referring not only to LaGuardia's bitter opposition last Spring to bargaining with the Transport Workers Union, the largest CIO affiliate in NY, but to an anti-labor attitude which permeated the entire administration. The Sanitation Dep't had fought the CIO with every weapon known to an anti-labor employer, including the recognition of an AFL union at a time when the Board of Transportation was declaring that the city could not bargain with any union at all. Murray pointed to an investigation of "communist influence" in the Dep't of Welfare. When CIO members urged the investigator to look into racketeering in the Sanitation Dep't they were "called in and grilled with respect to their CIO affiliation, making them feel as though they were the subject under investigation rather than those who were corrupt." The Negro president of the NY local of CIO municipal workers was fired on trumped up morals charges. The CIO was denied recognition in departments where it had an unquestioned majority. "It is most alarming," wrote Murray, "because a policy pursued in your city administration, Mr Mayor, must necessarily give the lead for all other State and local administrations, for you are the head of the national civil defense program. I cannot believe, therefore, that this anti-CIO policy emanates from you within the City of NY. That would hardly be the best way of rallying labor behind the national civil defense program."

There is some evidence that LaGuardia realizes to what position these activities of his administration have brought him. The World-Telegram, no friend of the Transport Workers, reported August 13 that the city, engaged in collective bargaining after a threat of a strike on city-owned subway lines, had offered the

please the business office, the amount of their own prejudice and revenge for being failures in the literary world, that goes into their book columns and book sections.

When books are printed telling the truth about the press—they are few and far apart because publishers fear newspaper revenge—the venal reviewers say two things: the examples of venality, corruption, unfairness are true but they date from biblical times or at least a month ago; and it is true they happened in villages such as Pittsburgh and Boston, but it can't happen in a real city like New York.

We come now to the present Gimbel Bros dep't store strike. This story was suppressed for weeks by every paper except 3: the extreme right paper Herald Tribune, the extreme left paper Daily Worker, and the liberal ad-less paper PM. (As already explained, the HT is part of a \$50,000,000 estate; it owns \$6,000,000 stock in National Biscuit, suppressed NBC strike, owns no Gimbel stock, takes Gimbel ads, therefore must be credited with more courage than the Post, Sun, Mirror, News, Journal-American, Times and World-Telegram).

Believe it or not there was so much news that PM printed three solid pages on days the great NY Times suppressed the story entirely. There were meetings, pickets, protests, arrests, excitement, and great "human interest" stories for any paper not corrupted by advertising money. Before the strike began, and before the salesmen and girls were double-crossed by Bernard and Fred Gimbel and v-pres Louis Broido, strange things all newsworthy happened: at 10 am 375 employees had to go to the washroom; at 11 am 200 salesgirls "fainted." In the great excitement customers also fainted. At 12 the entire telephone system was jammed with phony orders (pardon the slip). At 2:30 pm 450 were taken with every known and unknown malady under the sun and went to see the doctor. At 2 someone set off a firecracker under a bargain table. At all times customers suddenly burst into orations on unionism or loud singing. If ever there was a good story this was it, but all but one paper taking Gimbel money were silent.

When walkout actually occurred the venal and corrupt (if you don't like these adjectives, write your own) NYC papers had to mention it, so they buried a few lines. Said ad-less PM: "The NY Times in its first edition found that all that was fit to print about the strike was 7 inches . . . buried . . . on p 4. The only big paper which gave the strike less space was the (Hearst) Mirror, which tucked its 4 paragraphs away on p 16. The (ex-Socialist Patterson) News carried 8 inches on p 48 among the movie ads." Gimbels concentrated ads in News and Mirror, offering \$1 stockings for 69c, no phone orders, the idea being to get customers to break the picketline, fill up the store. Hearst Journal-American had ¾ col story without using word "strike." The Post told its "liberal" readers the store remained open with "an adequate staff," refrained from using terms scabs, strikebreakers, etc. The Sun gave ¾ of its story to the Gimbel statement.

The dirtiest journalism of all naturally was to be found in the once-liberal Scripps-Howard World-Telegram, which now out-Hearsts Hearst in yellow or redbaiting journalism. Aug 19 it carried a 3-col head saying it was all a red plot

by Harry Bridges. Written by brass-checker-player Frederick Woltman. The W-T story entirely pro-Gimbel and anti-employees, was headed "GIMBEL STORE OPEN IN SPITE OF STRIKE." IN FACT cannot understand why anyone who works for a living should read the papers which on every occasion prove they are against people who work for a living.

Mrs Roosevelt Suppressed

MRS FDR has had her troubles with the great free press of America. For example: she told the newspaper women who attend her conference and represent practically every newspaper in America: "I think all goods sold to the public should be labeled as to their grade and quality. Without this the consumer cannot know what he is buying. This is the only way the consumer can intelligently have a hold on the market. I mean authentic government grades and standards."

Every newspaper woman in Washington attending the press conference with Mrs Roosevelt sent the story out; without one exception they reported to her at a following conference that their newspapers had suppressed it. 100% suppression in this case because it hurts advertisers.

\$25,000,000 Wasted

LEVER BROS are spending about \$15,000,000 this year to make you switch from Ivory to Swan soap. Proctor & Gamble will spend some \$10,000,000 to ask you to remain faithful to Ivory. Neither side's advertising will mention the rival, but each advertiser will tell you his product is the best in the world.

It is a fact, according to tests made by US Gov't agencies, colleges, and their own laboratories, and reported by Consumers Union, that both soaps are pure and good. On the other hand much of the advertising claim is buncombe.

More important yet is the fact announced by Consumers Union that there are many soaps which do not spend \$25,000,000 advertising and which cost less. They are: Eavenson's Allwater, Co-op Floating, Macy's White Toilet milled (not to be confused with other Macy milled), Hewitt's Cocoanut, Kirkman's Beauty Bubbles, Macy's Palm & Olive, Kirk's Original Coco, and nine other brands cheaper than Ivory and Swan all of high purity.

Ivory's makers are non-union, pay 40¢ an hour for unskilled labor. Company is antagonistic to labor and maintains what it calls a "profit-sharing plan."

Lever Bros. in America are union. Lever Bros England were the main center for the Hitlerite Fellowship and other pro-Nazi activities.

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Transport Workers \$4,000,000 in wage increases, and a settlement of the long controversy was imminent. The CIO is attempting to press upon LaGuardia its belief that fascism can be fought effectively only if it is fought simultaneously at home and abroad.

Politics, Patronage, Crime, Graft

Every political machine, whether in NYC, Boston, Brooklyn, Chicago, St Louis, Newark, Jersey City, New Orleans or in smaller cities, depends on three things:

1. Patronage. It must pay its heelers with jobs.
2. Crime. The big money is in prostitution and gambling. Every big machine engages in both, splits the profits between the party (Republican or Democrat, usually Democrat) and gangsters. Murder for profit is occasional. The Hague machine in NJ makes its money largely in horseracing.
3. Graft. The biggest money for the machine is from graft. Graft is the lifeblood of city political machines, just as it was in the Harding machine in Washington. There is graft in paving, graft in sewers, graft in everything a city under a Tammany or Pendergast or Hague machine undertakes.

When you get an honest man like Stanley Isaacs, president of the Borough of Manhattan, the graft ceases, and the political machine raises false issues to get rid of the official.

When Isaacs took office he found that the West Side Highway between 72nd and Canal Sts had 11,000,000 square yards of granite blocks, which cost three times the price of asphalt (and is dangerous) placed there by Tammany graft.

The graft in the boroughs of Queens and the Bronx paid at the rate of 25c a square foot. The political machine got the money.

The granite block concerns which grafted millions in Philadelphia and their connection with the political machine have been exposed.

When a man like Paul Kern heads a city civil service commission the evils which civil service are supposed to cure are cured. When a Tammany politician or a machine mayor runs NYC the civil service is corrupted.

In 1933 Tammany got hold of the police. They put through a list of policemen which was not absorbed until 1937. Every Jew and Negro who took the examination got 68; every Tammany man got 95, no matter what marks were made. For money, colorblind men passed. A Prof in an institute which teaches policemen took money from clients and bribed an examiner. Kern fired this man, but the Prof had spent the thousand dollars received, and is now in jail.

Kern is one of several liberal leaders of NY politics whom the editor of IN FACT has interviewed; Kern says it is all right to quote him saying that Tammany wants the 150,000 jobs which are now open to all under civil service; that Tammany wants to corrupt these 150,000 jobs by making them part of Tammany patronage, that Tammany has always been corrupt and that one Joe Ruddy who worked with Tammany ward leaders to fix the examinations so that only Tammany heelers could get civil service jobs is now in Sing Sing because he was caught with the money. Others have not been caught.

Kern put the civil service on merit. He replaced Tammany corruption with a square deal. As a result all fascist elements have tried to get Kern fired. The campaign, says Kern, was started by Coughlin's Social Justice and taken up by Al Smith Jr. A curious note here is that Al Smith Sr, former governor of NY and candidate for president—he was defeated on a religious issue because he is a Catholic—has denounced Coughlin as a liar and bearer of false witness, whereas his son follows the Coughlin line.

Kern has abolished corruption, permitted those who pass the tests to get the jobs. There are now many decent, intelligent men on the police force, Catholics, Jews, Protestants, Negroes, foreign-born; there is no race, color or other line. There are, however, hundreds of Coughlinites, Christian Fronters, and Tammany hoodlums still on the force.

Kern has withstood attacks of the Hearst press and the NY Times, as well as Coughlin's.

Hearst attacked Kern because Hearst also follows the Coughlin-Christian Front line. But more important: some years ago Hearst filed an application with the SEC to issue some \$35,000,000 of new bonds. The American Investors Union (10 E 40th St, NYC), of which Kern is a director, filed a protest, saying Hearst listed \$1,000,000 as goodwill, whereas he hadn't any, and other objections. The Hearst application was withdrawn and shortly afterwards Hearst began selling considerable property including his \$50,000,000 art collection.

The NY Times case is even meaner. Kern is also a sponsor for Consumers Union which tests products and reports on what to buy and what is crooked or falsely advertised. The Times refuses to accept ads asking people to join this movement to protect the public; it attacks one of the leaders of CU.

Politics Linked to Prostitution, Gambling

The objective of every political machine in every American city is to steal money. There are of course a few men in all machines who are satisfied with merely power, just as Mussolini, for example, has not used his political machine to make a fortune for himself, although his brother Arnaldo, his in-laws, the Ciano family, and most of his backers, have made millions and hidden much of it in Switzerland and South America.

The American political machines, Republican and Democrat, make their money largely from prostitution (whether or not a red light district officially exists does not matter), gambling, and municipal contracts. The main money

in the Hague Jersey City machine comes from horseracing. In Kansas City under Pendergast prostitution paid the machine.

In NYC from Boss Tweed to Tammany, every form of vice and crime has contributed to political parties. After Franklin D Roosevelt broke Mayor Walker and Dewey put Hines in jail, it has been said that the American metropolis is fairly free from the typical big city combination of politics, prostitution and graft. This is not true. Every man in the know in NY politics knows the combination still exists. But it would take a Lincoln Steffens to ferret out the truth, and cost a year or two and thousands of dollars (which IN FACT hasn't got). From 1905 to 1917 Colliers, McClures, Hamptons, Metropolitan, Everybodys and other magazines published such truth. J P Morgan, the banks, the corporations and the advertisers thereupon bought the magazines up or suppressed them, and labeled the truth-tellers "muckrakers."

New York, like Boston, Jersey City, St Louis, New Orleans, Chicago, and other big cities is rotten with corruption which is protected by the political machines (which in turn elect presidents, thanks to the additional \$25,000,000 contributions from the Mellons, Rockefellers, DuPonts, Pews and other representatives of Big Business). Here is just one sample of what happens in New York.

The Trail of a Bookmaker

Frank Erickson is, according to Mayor LaGuardia, "a bum," also a "tin-horn gambler," but Erickson at times has made more money than any man in the world—\$200,000 a day. He is a bookmaker. His friends on one side are big politicians, on the other side big racketeers, the kings of the underworld, the lords of vice and crime. Frank Erickson's method of doing business was, according to Ruth Reynolds (NYD News Aug 10), to rig up a wire to Jersey City where "Frank could operate with impunity . . . Occasionally, as a bookmaker, he got into trouble with the law. Between 1917 and 1928 he was arrested 5 times. On one of these occasions he was convicted. The sentence was suspended.

"Erickson made a point of knowing the right people. One of the 'right people' was William F X Geoghan, then district attorney of Kings county. . . .

"He knew some of the 'wrong' people too—J Richard (Dixie) Davis, attorney for the late Dutch Schultz; Joe Adonis, Brooklyn racketeer, Charles (Lucky) Luciano, head of NY prostitution racket until he went to prison; Frank Costello, overlord of America's slotmachine racket; Leo Byk, lesser lord of the slot machines; and Jimmie Lapenna, Brooklyn racketeer now in prison for nonpayment of income taxes."

Why is Erickson in trouble, whereas scores of other leaders in the politics-gambling-prostitution combination are not? Because LaGuardia has spent five years trying to put Erickson in jail because of a personal feud.

LaGuardia was defeated for Congress in 1932 by Lanzatta. This defeat was largely the work of Costello and Erickson. When LaGuardia became mayor in 1934 he took on a war with Erickson—Costello meanwhile having faded from the scene. After consulting J Edgar Hoover of the FBI, LaGuardia attacked the NY Telephone Co which had four NYC numbers listed for Erickson and which automatically transferred these 5c calls to Hoboken, where Erickson had his racetrack office. In Oct 1935 LaGuardia's police chief Valentine asked District Att'y Geoghan of Brooklyn to investigate Erickson but nothing was done.

In 1936 (according to NYDN) "an extraordinary grand jury was called to investigate dirty dealings in Brooklyn and particularly charges of malfeasance in Geoghan's office. This, and a subsequent hearing before Gov Herbert Lehman, resulted in a clean bill of health for the District Att'y. But it left the public asking just who was on trial, Geoghan or Erickson? It was the task of Special Prosecutor Hiram C Todd to show that Geoghan associated with undesirable characters and that the most undesirable of these was Bookmaker Erickson. It was revealed for the first time that Geoghan had been warned by Valentine that the bookmaker's activities should be investigated. Why had Geoghan continued to consort with Erickson, and why hadn't there been an investigation? . . . Didn't he know that a bribe, passed in vain, to prevent the indictment of the slayers of Samuel Druckman, had gone through Frank's hands?"

(More on vice, fascism and religious hatred in next issue.)

LaFollette Reports

READERS who will want to learn more about American Gestapo methods and who do not want to wade through a hundred LaFollette Committee reports should ask at the library for the following: "Senate, 75th Congress, 1st session. Report No 46. Violations of Free Speech and the Rights of Labor. Preliminary Report (Pursuant to S. Res 266, 74th Congress)." Here are a few most interesting statements:

"Although, as the investigations reveal, the employer directs his spy forces against any kind of union activity, he cloaks his hostility under the pretext that he is defending himself and the country against communism."—Page 5.

"Employers' money is paid to corrupt their workers by bribery."—p 7.

"Espionage has become the habit of American management. Until it is stamped out the rights of labor to organize, freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, will be meaningless phrases."—p 8.

"It is being developed that employer and (the labor spy) agency have two separate interests in violence. The agency's interest in violence, and by that token that of the strikebreaker's, is that it will prolong and embitter the fight so that a stronger guard will be called out and more money expended through the agency. The employer's interest in violence is that it shall, by being attributed to workers, bring discredit on them, thus alienating public sympathy for their cause. Violence is provoked (by the employer) in order to obtain an injunction against the strikers."—p 10.

"Only one side is armed. Workers do not buy either armaments or gas."

The committee reported "a colossal daily drive in every part of the country to frustrate enunciated labor policy and to neutralize American labor laws."

An Editor Speaks Out

"WE still think," writes the editor of the Gazette and Daily, York, Pa, "that Martin Dies will be the most dangerous and most un-American influence in American public life as long as he heads this committee. . . .

"The Dies Committee by implication indicates that there is to be only one type of opinion in the US. One must either agree with the Dies Committee or be investigated. . . .

"Dies can accomplish in most instances by coercion what is specifically forbidden by Congress. The fear of being smeared will act as an influence to forestall criticism of his committee. . . . There isn't one bit of difference between the attitude of the Dies Committee and the attitude of Hitler."

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